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## Elite meet in possible AFC title preview

Patriots, Steelers have been AFC's best, but some other contenders stand between them and the Super Bowl. **In Sports**

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# Net neutrality's end may be costly for consumers

## Some sites could pass charges on to users

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USA TODAY

The noise over whether your Internet provider is the reason you can't get *Stranger Things* to stream smoothly is about go up a decibel.

The repeal of Obama-era net neutrality rules Thursday wiped from the books regulations that prevented Internet service providers from blocking or slowing some websites and charging more for others to run faster.

The new regulations, passed by the Republican-controlled Federal Communications Commission's 3-2 vote, require companies such as Verizon and Comcast to disclose if they block sites or give priority to their own content more than others' — say by allowing Comcast unit NBCUniversal's sites to run at a faster clip than Time Warner's CNN.com.

The onus shifts to the public to flag any signs these Internet gatekeepers play favorites, including with their own properties — and report them to the Federal Trade Commission if it looks like the provider is trying to suppress a competitor. The big Internet and cable providers, who lobbied hard for repeal,

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## NEWSLINE

**Carrie Fisher as Princess Leia** FOX VIDEO

### Women are a force in 'The Last Jedi'

AP

Princess Leia has long been a feminist icon in the *Star Wars* saga. Now as Gen. Leia Organa, she is one of many strong female characters not defined by stereotypes in *The Last Jedi*. **In Life**

**IN NEWS**

### Tax bill could hinge on child tax credit

GOP Sens. Rubio and Lee could scuttle bill unless child credit is expanded

**IN MONEY**

### Disney buys Fox assets for $52.4B

Disney adds Fox movie, TV studios, share of Hulu in massive content influx

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**82%**
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1 - Freedom of religion, speech, and the press
2 - The right to bear arms
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# Reflecting on Sandy Hook

Nicole Lesser of Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y., holds a candle during a vigil Dec. 14 at Rutgers Presbyterian Church in Manhattan to mark the fifth anniversary of the Sandy Hook School shootings in which 20 children and six educators were slain. The vigil was sponsored by Moms Demand Action and a coalition of more than 30 organizations. **Story on 2A.**

# Frats thrive as hazing trauma fades

**Sean Rossman and Trevor Hughes**
USA TODAY

The importance of Gordie Bailey's story was easy to convey a decade ago.

A good-looking, funny kid from Dallas, the captain of the high school football team, pledged the Chi Psi fraternity at the University of Colorado-Boulder. One night, he drank too much and died at 18.

Even Bailey's parents admit that the story, once a timely call to action, has become dated. Although their fierce fight to shine a light on the hazards of hazing and drinking may have saved lives, stories like Bailey's continue to happen, year after year.

**Ambulances routinely park outside the Chi Psi house in Boulder, Colo., near the off-campus social area known as University Hill.** TREVOR HUGHES/USA TODAY

Since Bailey's death Sept. 17, 2004, 29 other pledges have died in alcohol-related hazing incidents across the country, hazing expert Hank Nuwer said. This year, fraternity chapters closed or were suspended at Penn State, Louisiana State, Florida State and Texas State after pledge deaths — and universities found themselves grappling with

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